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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Tomohiro ISHIHARA, et al

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METHOD OF PRODUCING GLASS ARTICLE AND GLASS BASE MATERIAL FOR OPTICAL FIBER

Examiner: J.M. Hoffmann

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THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

For:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	8	20	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	3	0	\$84.00 =	\$0.00
		Multiple claims newly presented			\$0.00
		Fee for extension of time			\$0.00
					\$0.00
		Total of Above Calculations			\$0.00

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Respectfully submitted,

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